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## PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEIn re Application of  
**GEHRMANN Et Al.**Examiner: **SAUNDERS, David A.**Serial No.: **08/989,896**Art Unit: **1644**Filed: **December 12, 1997**Title: **FUSION PROTEINS FOR PRODRUG  
ACTIVATION**

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Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-  
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004, the time to respond to  
which has been extend two months to December 1, 2004, please amend the above-  
identified application as follows:

Please amend the claims as set forth in the listing of claims beginning on  
page 2.

Please enter and consider the remarks beginning on page 6.

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